Welcome to the Franklin County Jail Website

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To the Family/Friends of the inmates in Franklin County Jail:

We are located at 1804 Opportunity Avenue, inside the Cumberland Valley Business Park adjacent to Letterkenny Army Depot.

OFFENDER CONNECT - DEPOSITING MONEY

Whether you want to transfer money to a commissary account or add money to an inmate's phone account, OffenderConnect.com is the fast, easy way to stay connected. Signing up is free and Offender Connect provides you with 24 hour-a-day access. Just think-no extra trips to our facility and no calls to ITI to update your account.

*Manage multiple phone numbers with one acccount *Allow inmates to call you with a pre-paid account *Update information without calling ITI *Add money to a commissary account

Offender Connect is fast, convenient and easy to use. All of your recent transactions are posted for review and you can even print your monthly statements online. Credit card information is safe, secure and eliminates the need to write out checks to mail to our facility. You'll save time and money while still maintaining a close connection with the ones you care about. Why wait? Sign up now! The Offender Connect icon on the left will guide you directly to their website!

*Reminder: All transactions are posted 9 am the next business day per jail policy.

VISITSVisiting hours are Monday through Friday from 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Each inmate may receive 1 visit per week. Those in General Population or Work-Release will get a visit of at least an hour. Those in a segregation status will receive 1, Â½ hour visit per week. There will no longer be a visit list, so you will just need to bring a valid government-issued ID card. All new commitments are locked down for a 48 hour quarantine and will not receive visits during that time. Please refer to the visitation policy on the site for any questions. If you have been previously suspended from visiting due to a second positive on our trace drug detection, we have decided to reduce everyone back to Step I. In other words, you may visit, however, a subsequent positive will result in a 6-month suspension. Please refer to the Trace Drug Detection policy for any clarifications.

PA SAVIN - Victim Notification Program

Pennsylvania SAVIN powered by VINE is a free and anonymous telephone service that provides victims of crime two important features: Information and Notification. Pennsylvania SAVIN is a service of the Pennsylvania District Attorneys Institute and the PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency and is supported by a grant awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

You can contact SAVIN by calling 1-866-9PA-SAVIN or 1-866-972-7284.

You can also access SAVIN by going to: www.pacrimevictims.state.pa.us. This site provides important information to victims of crime in Pennsylvania. This site provides a number of additional links for notifications to victims, victim compensation services, etc. If you want to be able to check the status for a county inmate or register to be notified of a change in custody status for a county inmate you can go to this site. Once you click on the option you will be transferred to the PA SAVIN page. You may also access SAVIN only by going to: www.vinelink.com. You will see a map of the United States. Click on the state of Pennsylvania. This will direct you to the PA SAVIN page.

FCJ WEEKENDER INCARCERATION PROGRAM

Weekender Community Service Program
In attempting to continue our goal to use the jail beds in the most efficient manner available, save tax dollars and allow offenders to maintain adequate employment, we have developed a weekend incarceration program. This program includes a mandatory participation in community service. Local government entities, as well as churches and non-profits, will have the ability to use offenders in this program for their projects. Needs such as spring clean up, painting projects and the like are good applications for this program. Using the form provided, agencies can make a request for weekender volunteers. Weekender Community Service Program Agreement This form can be faxed or mailed to the Jail. Volunteers will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

DIRECT SUPERVISION
Our move is not just a physical one, rather we have adopted the philosophy of Direct Supervision. In essence, when an individual comes through our door, we are going to assume that they will behave like a â€œnormal adultâ€•. Should they do so, they will be on a housing unit where they are out of their cell all day, have free access to the phone, television, shower, exercise yard and programs. Should they choose not to, their privileges will be removed. This operational philosophy has been proved to be effective throughout the country, and we look forward to making it work in Franklin County. As this is a significant change from our current mode of operation, we ask that you would encourage your loved one to adhere to the rules and regulations.

PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES
One of the biggest benefits to the new jail is a significant increase in program space, and therefore programs. Our programs are all research-based, and proved effective .

The two primary â€œbuilding blocksâ€• of our approach are EDUCATION and Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT).

Education
This program includes 70 hours per week (2 instructors 35 hours of program time each), of General Equivalent Diploma (GED), Adult Basic Education (ABE), English as a Second Language (ESL), and basic reading competency. This program is operated by Manito, Inc. Nearly 50% of our inmates do not have a high-school diploma. Additionally, in accordance with PA Act 30 of 1997, we offer an actual high-school program for all inmates under the age of 20, who have not graduated. This program is operated by the Lincoln Intermediate Unit.

Moral Reconation Therapy (MRT)
The Cognitive Behavioral Therapy that we offer is called MRT. Research indicates that this approach reduces recidivism. Read more about MRT here. Read Even more about this program here. This is also the primary approach of the Day Reporting Center (DRC), therefore an individual can begin the â€œstepsâ€• while incarcerated, and continue after release in the DRC, thereby creating a continuum of treatment throughout our system.

Other programs offered
We also offer Stress and Anger Management, Life Skills, Drug and Alcohol Education, Sex Offender Therapy and Job Retention. Later in the year, we plan to offer a Battererâ€™s Group. Additionally, there are several work opportunities, to include the availability of receiving Serv Safe certification through Canteen (our food service vendor).

MEDICAL SERVICES
Our medical service provider (PrimeCare Medical, Inc) provides all medical, dental and mental health service staff. We are a National Commission on Correctional Health Care certified facility.

Please continue to check back to the website for further information, to include our orientation videotape